

CROP WEATHER

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Agricultural Summary: Precipitation in the form of snow fell over the northeast portion of the State earlier in the month providing snow cover for up to two weeks. These same areas also received light rain the last week of February. Despite the precipitation, wheat fields and pastures need additional moisture, especially in the western third and the south central parts of the State. At the end of the month, topsoil moisture was rated 18 percent very short, 22 percent short, 52 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus.

Field Crop Report: Wheat condition was rated 12 percent very poor, 20 percent poor, 28 percent fair, 35 percent good, and 5 percent excellent. Army cut worm infestations have reached treatable levels in the south central district. Sixty-six percent of the State reported no wind damage to wheat, while 24 percent reported light wind damage, 7 percent reported moderate wind damage, and 3 percent reported severe wind damage. Some freeze damage has occurred, with 67 percent of the wheat having no damage, 21 percent receiving light damage, 9 percent receiving moderate damage, and 3 percent receiving severe damage.

Pasture and Range Report: Feed grain supplies are rated 2 percent very short, 13 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies are rated 3 percent very short, 18 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Calving was in full swing across much of the State.

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CROP CONDITIONS FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2004

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
Wheat	12	20	28	35	5	

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2004

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	NW	WC	SW	l NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	MONTH	YEAR
Topsoil Moistu	re (Pe	ercent	=)									
Very Short	51	43	88	2	18	17	2	0	0	18	19	16
Short	30	40	12	24	19	25	42	16	0	22	36	44
Adequate	19	17	0	71	56	44	56	78	70	52	38	37
Surplus	0	0	0	3	7	14	0	6	30	8	7	3

PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 29, 2004

Cheyenne 0.32		w lins .37	Decatur 0.47	Notton 0.40	Phillips 0.81	Sm #h 1.29	Jewell 1.18	Republic 1.07	W ashingto	on Mar O.		.92 Bxc	00 Doni	
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0.12	0.29	0.71	G ray	0.24	Edwards 0.57	1.48	Reno 0.78	1.0		Butler	G meenwood	W oodson	Allen 0.68	Bourbon 0.25
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Morton 0.23	Stevens	Seward 0.48	M eade 0.38	C lark 0.56	C om anche	Barber 0.57	Hamper 1.62	Sum ne 1.30		0.78	Chautauq 1.31	Montgom 0.93	Labette 0.50	Chexokee 0.67